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Old Winter is still a mild taskmaster.

Rumania is still ruling the war although the little nation was put out of it long before the armistice was signed.

There isn't even "standing room only" for the I. W. W. in Chicago, no matter what size bag of money they are willing to pay.

It may pay the readers of The Times to preserve the copy of Feb. 14, which contained the entire text of the covenant of the league of nations.

Perhaps the reason they do not know what the war cost Austria-Hungary is because the amount is so large as to stagger Austrian imagination.

We observe that Anton H. Appelmann, former professor at the University of Vermont, is busily engaged getting food from the United States for the Germans. Perhaps he has finished giving aid and comfort to the American boys who fell into the hands of the Germans—an occupation which he fondly looked forward to when he left the United States, so he stated.

From time immemorial, election to the Vermont legislature has been a stepping-stone to advancement in official preferment; and now and then it is an introduction to a larger field of usefulness in some business or professional circles. The latter seems to be the case with Senator Maurice of Lamoille county, who has just resigned to become partner in a law firm of large practice in Brattleboro. During his brief term in the upper house, Senator Maurice gave evidence of forcefulness and keenness and he was rendering good service to his immediate constituents and to the state of Vermont.

The officers and members of the Vermont Poultry association of Barre may rest assured that the people of Barre appreciate the efforts of the association to put on a first-class exhibition of poultry each year, albeit the attendance is not generally large. Poultry-people express the view that the exhibition recently held was one of the best ever shown in Barre, a large number of extra fine fowls being shown. It is to be hoped that the efforts of the association to continue its first-class exhibitions will receive wider support on the occasion of the next exhibition.

THE CALLOUSNESS OF AMERICAN PUBLIC.

It is almost shocking to note with what equanimity the people of the United States took the burning in effigy of the president of the United States by a band of women in Washington, D. C. Supposing, however, the same act had been committed by a crowd of aliens bent on casting ridicule on the United States through an indignity and insult to the chief executive of the nation—wouldn't there have been a great clamor and outcry of protest from every corner of the country and wouldn't there have been a demand that the most severe punishment possible short of the death penalty be meted out to the perpetrators of

the dastardly deed? The echoes of the great popular indignation would have reverberated for weeks, so great would the resentment have been; yet when a bunch of so-called American women who want to show their dislike for the president parade through the principal streets of the national capital and then burn an effigy of the president in a sort of fiendish snake dance, it is put down as a mere vagary on the part of the women and is considered from a legal standpoint as a slight breach of the peace worth about 15 minutes' imprisonment or a two-dollar fine. It is rank discrimination and weak inconsistency to condone the acts of these women and then almost to hang and quarter the first alien who dares lift his voice against the president, let alone burn him in effigy.

RAILROAD SERVICE IN GREAT NEED OF REFORM.

Other places besides Barre are complaining about the poor train service which was inaugurated, supposedly, as a war measure, for we learn that Brattleboro, while not feeling such drastic curtailment as some towns, knows "that the present service does not compare with that of two or three years ago" and also that "the difference is not felt alone by those who have occasion to travel" because the mail service is far from what it used to be. If Brattleboro should feel the same sensations as Barre it would know what it is to do the hop-skip-and-jump or to experience long and tedious delays incident to the consolidation of passenger service on the Central Vermont and Montpelier & Wells River railroad lines running into Barre from Montpelier.

It would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer to figure out what trains to take over the Central Vermont railroad in order to set foot on the trains of the Montpelier & Wells River railroad; and after the puzzle has been cleared up to a seeming certainty one is oftentimes forced to the sad conclusion that the solutions of human beings have nothing in common with the plans of the railroads. Other times, one is forced to take a train at the Central Vermont station in Barre and wait one, two or three hours in a dismal waiting-room in Montpelier in order to meet up with a train on the Montpelier & Wells River railroad; or, returning over the Montpelier & Wells River railroad, one is compelled to waste valuable time in Montpelier until a Central Vermont train comes trundling along to take one to Barre. Sometimes, becoming vexed over the delays, a few passengers patronize the electric car service, which, sad to relate, runs more infrequently now than it did before the electric railroad began to jack up its prices. All of which reminds that there is crying need for reform in the passenger service between Barre and Montpelier. As it is now, it is a disgrace to railroading.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS TAKING SHAPE.

President Wilson is on the return voyage to the United States with the work for which he went to Europe largely accomplished or in the line of being accomplished. That work was included in the formation of a league of nations which should endeavor to prevent all wars, the idea having been born in the contemplation of the awful slaughter and destruction occasioned by the war which is now being formally drawn to a close. In order to fasten his ideas on the leaders of the other nations of consequence he felt it imperative that he should be present at the conference and that he should talk with those leaders directly, while at the same time he might, perhaps, influence public opinion in those countries to a considerable extent in favor of such a solution of international troubles. So President Wilson has at-

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tended the conferences and he has talked long and earnestly with the leaders of the prominent nations among the allies; he has given ideas and he has received ideas, no doubt.

The result of those conferences, of those discussions, of the visit of President Wilson to Europe is now to be found in the completed covenant of nations which, if accepted by the major nations of the allies, will constitute the nucleus of a great world influence. To be sure, the league of nations is yet more or less of a paper force at the present and it remains to be seen whether it can become the practicable, workable and enduring influence which its sponsors hope for it; but it is admitted that the league of nations has a wonderful potentiality for good in the world, the outcome depending upon whether the spark of life is injected into the framework through open and whole-hearted support of the plan by the nations most vitally concerned. We hope that it will not turn out as The Hague agreement has turned out, to be trodden under foot at the first sign of real world cataclysm. We hope that the visit of President Wilson will not have been in vain. We hope that the United States and the other great powers of the allies will accept the plan and inject into it the necessary moral influence to insure its success. The league of nations is a decided advance in thought and it is to be hoped that the world is ready to measure up to that advanced thought.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An Appreciation of Roosevelt.

Editor, Times: With your permission, I would like to add in my feeble way a few words to the high tribute expressed by others of our late ex-President Theodore Roosevelt.

I would say I always admired the man and I feel as though I had lost a true friend. I dare say I have had the privilege, as well as the honor, of meeting President Roosevelt more times than

any other man in Chelsea, and it was always with the same friendly and brotherly grip, and his smile and cheering words were an inspiration to me to try and do more for the good of our men and boys who offered themselves and lives to fight for our country that we might be free from any Hun ruler.

I have a few letters from the colonel, which I prize very highly. They were short, but I know the words came from the heart. He has gone but a little while before us and I feel that our nation and the world has lost the greatest and truest man in the death of Theodore Roosevelt. E. D. Barnes, Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 14, 1919.



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